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## SUMMARY OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS NUMBER

An official forecast places the wheat production of Mexico for 1922 at 5,190,000 bushels, corn at 49,210,000 bushels and beans at 2,540,000 bushels.

The area sown to summer rice in Egypt in 1921-22 is only 24,274 acres, as compared with 301,777 acres in 1920-21. The acreage of the fall rice crop, figures for which are not yet available, may increase the total rice area for the year. Corn, wheat, "bersim" and cotton take up between  $\frac{3}{4}$  and  $\frac{4}{5}$  of the total land in crops.

## SUMMARY OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS NUMBER.-CONT'D.

The area planted to sakellarides cotton in 1921-22 in Egypt was about 10 per cent greater than in the preceding year. The acreage of ashmouni cotton increased over a third. Mitafifi acreage remained stationary.

The commercial apple crop of Switzerland for 1922 is estimated to be larger than for any of the three preceding years and nearly four times as large as the production in 1921. The cider pear crop was also much larger this year than in 1921 or 1920, but smaller than the 1919 crop.

The cacao/crop of the Puerto Plata consular district of the Dominican Republic is reported to be the smallest in years.

The grape crop of the Province of Mendoza, Argentina, for 1921 amounted to 705,996,000 pounds.

The exports of currants from Greece from September 17, 1921 to June 30, 1922 are larger than for the corresponding period the preceding year. The raisin crop is unofficially reported to be larger for 1921 than for 1920 or 1919.

The total acreage of potatoes in 1922 for all countries for which estimates are available is 20,261,000 acres. Among the principal countries for which no figures are yet available are Austria, Germany, Norway, Russia, Lithuania, Yugoslavia, Sweden and all the Asiatic countries. The production for 16 countries amounts to 3,105,729,000 bushels as compared with 2,430,293,000 bushels for the same countries last year and an average of 3,065,609,000 bushels for the five years, 1909-13. Russia, France, Spain and Czechoslovakia are the most important countries for which reports are not yet available.

Estimates indicate that horses, cattle and sheep have increased in numbers in Latvia during the past year, but pigs have decreased.

Consumption of fresh meat in Belgium increased from 1919 to 1921. The consumption of frozen meats in 1921 was only about 2/3 that of 1920.

In 1921 the United States was the greatest exporter of pork and pork products, her total exports less imports amounting to 1,630,365,000 pounds. Denmark ranked second with an export of 192,700,000 pounds and Netherlands third with 62,265,000 pounds. For many of the importing countries figures are not yet available for 1921. In 1920 the United Kingdom was the principal importer followed by Germany and France.

The wages of general farm laborers in France hired for the harvesting season ranged from \$24.33 to \$30.41 a month according to the rate of exchange prevailing on July 31, 1922. First class carters received from \$32.44 to \$36.50 a month. Good cowherds over 20 years old, hired on a yearly basis, received from \$16.22 to \$21.63 a month.

## SUMMARY OF FOREIGN CROP PROSPECTS.

The production of rye, barley and potatoes for all countries reporting is larger than for the same countries last year. Rye production for 16 countries is 101 per cent of the production for the same countries last year but only 91 per cent of the average yield for 1909-13. The production of the United States and Canada is 163 per cent of last year's crop while the production of European countries is only 93 per cent of the crop of 1921. The production of barley in 1922 for 24 countries is 104 per cent of the 1921 harvest but only 96 per cent of the average yield for 1909-13. The barley crop of the United States and Canada this year is 129 per cent of last year's crop and for 15 European countries it is 103 per cent of last year's. The potato crop is larger in nearly all countries this year than last, the total production being 128 per cent of that for the same countries in 1921, and 101 per cent of the 1909-13 average.

Wheat production in 1922, according to latest estimates, excluding Russia, is 99 per cent of the yield in 1921, being 109 per cent of last year's in North America and 81 per cent in Europe.

Conditions of the new wheat crop are good in Argentina, Australia and India and about average in South Africa. According to a recent cablegram from the International Institute of Agriculture the progress on the new crop is normal in Italy, Hungary and Yugoslavia, while September rains retarded the work very much in England and Czechoslovakia, and also to some extent in France. Better progress is reported in Germany. In Russia, according to a commercial report, the germination of the newly sown wheat has been retarded by poor weather conditions.

According to a cablegram received from the Department of Statistics of India, the area planted to cotton up to about October 1, which is usually about 83 per cent of the total area, is 17,412,000 acres. This is 108 per cent of the area of the corresponding date last year, but only 94 per cent of the average area at the corresponding date for the five years 1916-17 to 1920-21.



## PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES OF CROPS IN MEXICO IN 1922.

According to a survey made by the Mexican Department of Agriculture on September 8, 1922 the corn crop of this year is expected to reach 49, 210,000 bushels, wheat 5,190,000 bushels and beans 2,540,000 bushels. Comparable figures for last year are not available but estimates based on partial returns put the corn crop of 1921 at 71,004,982 bushels, wheat at 5,089,260 bushels and beans at 2,610,759 bushels.

(Source: 1922; Consular Report, Mexico City, September 13, 1922, 1921; Journal of the American Chamber of Commerce of Mexico City for June 1922, p. 11, quoting the Department of Agriculture, and Consular Report, Mexico City, August 18, 1922.)

## COTTON ACREAGE IN EGYPT BY VARIETIES.

Variety.	1920-21.	1921-22.
	Acres.	Acres.
Sakcellarides .....	1,033,000	1,137,000
Asmouni .....	177,000	244,000
Zagora .....	96,000	106,000
Mit-Afifi .....	13,000	13,000
Others .....	22,000	21,000
Total .....	1,341,000	1,521,000

(Source: Egyptian Ministry of Finance, Statistical Department; Crop areas during the agricultural years ending August 31, 1921, and 1922.)

## AREA UNDER CROPS IN EGYPT FOR THE YEARS ENDING AUGUST 31, 1921 AND 1922.

Crops.	1920-21	1921-22
	Acres.	Acres.
<u>AUTUMN CROPS.</u>		
Corn .....	2,069,318	.....
Millet .....	91,556	.....
Rice .....	22,237	.....
<u>WINTER CROPS.</u>		
Wheat .....	1,458,180	1,517,785
Beans .....	512,319	494,571
Onions .....	23,479	36,213
Lentils .....	81,344	88,618
Lupines .....	23,111	20,888
Chick peas .....	6,688	6,300
Bersim .....	1,513,602	1,450,060
Barley ..... <sup>a</sup>	573,518	374,958
Vetches .....	22,046	18,764
Flax .....	5,754	1,385
<u>SUMMER CROPS.</u>		
Corn .....	16,244	7,992
Millet .....	177,734	155,204
Rice .....	301,777	24,274
Peanuts .....	13,901	13,931
Sesame .....	10,201	12,807
Melons .....	34,039	38,399
Other vegetables .....	21,883	19,797
Cotton .....	1,540,969	1,520,311
Sugar cane .....	66,424	64,987

(Source: Statistical Department of Egypt Ministry of Finance, "Crop areas during the Agricultural Years ending August 31, 1920-21 and 1921-22").

a. Excluding the area cultivated in Mariut on which "Ochour" is being taken.

## ESTIMATED COMMERCIAL FRUIT PRODUCTION IN SWITZERLAND IN 1922.

	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.
	Pounds.	Pounds.	Pounds.	Pounds.
Apples, cider ...	140,764,000	119,225,000	45,327,000	215,301,000
" , table ...	167,417,000	123,061,000	49,956,000	170,570,000
Pears, cider ...	187,479,000	79,322,000	28,065,000	150,618,000

(Source: Schweizer Landwirtschaftliche Marktzeitung, September 7, 1922).

## THE CACAO CROP IN NORTHERN DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

The cacao crop of the Puerto Plata Consular District of the Dominican Republic is nearly all harvested and the final estimates are for a yield of 35,000,000 pounds, which is said to be the smallest crop in years. The decreased yield is attributed to the neglect of the orchards during the past year as a result of the low prices of cacao. Drought in a few sections also contributed to the falling off in yield. Prospects for the coming crop are much more favorable.

(Source: Consular Report, Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic, September 14, 1922).

## DATE CROP PROSPECTS OF TUNIS.

Officials of the Tunisian Government have stated that the date crop of that country is expected to be good this year.

(Source: Consular Report, Tunis, Tunisia, September 5, 1922).



## PRODUCTION OF GRAPES IN MENDOZA.

The production of grapes in the Province of Mendoza, Argentina in 1921 amounted to 705,996,000 pounds. The total quantity of grapes used in the province for the year, including the amount purchased reached 1,353,875,000 pounds. In 1920 this province produced 76 per cent of the wine manufactured in the country.

(Source: Report of U. S. Agricultural Commissioner, Buenos Aires, April 11, 1922).

## CURRANT EXPORTS, GREECE.

The exports of currants for the period from September 17, 1921 to June 30, 1922 show an increase over the 1920-21 season, being 113,875 short tons as compared with 98,336 short tons last season. During the 1913-14 season 144,031 tons were exported.

(Source: Consular Report, Patras, Greece, July 12, 1922).

## RAISINS IN GREECE.

The raisin crop in 1921 was very good, amounting to 15,432 short tons, as compared with 10,362, and 13,228 tons in 1920 and 1919.

(Source: The Board of Trade Journal, August 24, 1922, p. 212).

ESTIMATED WORLD POTATO ACREAGE 1922 AS COMPARED WITH 1921 AND AVERAGE  
1909-1913.

Country.	Average, 1909-1913.	1921.	1922 (latest estimate).
	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.
<u>NORTHERN HEMISPHERE.</u>			
<u>NORTH AMERICA.</u>			
United States *	3,680	3,815	4,228
Canada *	483	702	694
Guatemala *	a 4	b 4	4
Total North American and *	4,167	4,521	4,926
<u>EUROPE.</u>			
Austria	c 3,105	d 314	.....
Czechoslovakia	.....	b 1,574	b 1,607
Belgium *	390	b 419	415
Bulgaria *	c 8	b 19	20
Denmark *	145	203	204
Finland *	184	b 198	185
France *	c 3,841	3,591	3,566
Germany	c 8,260	6,541	.....
Hungary *	c 1,521	b 665	466
Italy *	658	b 763	741
Luxemburg *	36	b 33	36
Malta	4	2	.....
Netherlands *	414	441	454
Norway	102	b 130	.....
Rumania*	c e 86	b 409	362
Russia, including Northern Caucasus	c 8,499	.....	.....
Latvia	.....	b 146	b 170
Lithuania	.....	b 326	.....
Poland *	c 2,628	4,796	b 5,303
Serbia, Croatia-Slavonia, and Bosnia- Herzegovina	c 292	.....	.....
Yugoslavia	.....	b 532	.....
Spain *	687	b 739	b 806
Sweden	379	365	.....
Switzerland *	186	b 113	b 112

ESTIMATED WORLD POTATO ACREAGE 1922 AS COMPARED WITH 1921 AND AVERAGE  
1909-1913. - CONT'D.

Country.	Average, 1909-1913.	1921.	1922 (latest estimate).
	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.
<u>NORTHERN HEMISPHERE</u> , -CONT'D.			
<u>EUROPE</u> , -CONT'D.			
United Kingdom:			
England and Wales* .....	434	558	561
Scotland * .....	145	154	157
Ireland .....	590	568	.....
Total United Kingdom .....	1,169	1,280	.....
Total Europe .....	32,594	23,654	15,135
Total Countries marked * .....	11,363	13,156	13,418
<u>ASIA</u> .			
Japan .....	174	.....	.....
Chosen .....	<u>f</u> 91	<u>b</u> 187	.....
Russia .....	399	.....	.....
Total Asia .....	664	187	.....
<u>AFRICA</u> .			
Algeria * .....	45	<u>b</u> 46	<u>b</u> 46
Tunis .....	<u>g</u> 2	<u>b</u> 2	.....
Total Africa .....	47	48	46
Total Countries marked * .....	45	46	46
Total Northern Hemisphere .....	37,472	28,410	20,167
Total Northern Hemisphere marked * .....	15,575	17,723	18,390
Country.	Average, 1908-09- 1912-13:	1920-21.	1921-22. (latest estimate).
	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.
<u>SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE</u> .			
Argentina .....	235	.....	.....
Chile * .....	66	83	<u>b</u> 73
Uruguay .....	<u>e</u> 13	<u>b</u> 9	.....
Australia .....	137	.....	.....
New Zealand* .....	28	22	19

ESTIMATED WORLD POTATO ACREAGE 1922 AS COMPARED WITH 1921 AND AVERAGE  
1909-1913, - CONT'D.

Country.	Average, 1908-09 - 1912-13.	1920-21.	1921-22. (Latest Esti
	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.	1,000 Acres.
<u>SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE, -CONT'D.</u>			
Southern Rhodesia * .....	e 2	2	f 2
Union of South Africa .....	62	.....	.....
Total Southern Hemisphere	583	116	94
Total Southern Hemisphere Marked * .....	96	107	94
World Total .....	38,010	28,526	20,261
Total all Countries marked *	15,671	17,830	18,484

(Source: Official sources unless otherwise stated).

a. 1919-21, International Institute of Agriculture:

b. International Institute of Agriculture.

c. Old boundaries.

d. Consular Report.

e. Includes (58,000 acres) grown with corn.

f. 1912-16, official.

g. 1916-20, International Institute of Agriculture.

\* Indicates countries for which figures are available for 1909-13, 1921 and 1922.

ESTIMATED WORLD POTATO PRODUCTION 1922 AS COMPARED WITH 1921 AND AVERAGE  
1909-1913.

Country.	Average, 1909-1913.	1921.	1922 (latest estimate).
<u>NORTHERN HEMISPHERE.</u>	1,000 bushels.	1,000 bushels.	1,000 bushels.
<u>NORTH AMERICA.</u>			
United States * .....	356,627	346,823	433,015
Canada * .....	77,873	107,346	102,686
Mexico .....	924	1,552	.....
Guatemala .....	a 287	b 73	.....
Total North America .....	435,711	455,794	535,701
Total Countries Marked * .	434,500	454,169	535,701

ESTIMATED WORLD POTATO PRODUCTION 1922 AS COMPARED WITH 1921 AND AVERAGE  
1909-1913,--CONT'D.

Country.	Average, 1909-1913.	1921.	1922 (latest estimate).
<u>NORTHERN HEMISPHERE,--CONT'D.</u>	1,000 Bushels.	1,000 Bushels.	1,000 Bushels.
<u>EUROPE.</u>			
Austria .....	c 456,435	27,616	.....
Czechoslovakia .....	.....	159,068	.....
Belgium* .....	107,021	71,534	b 79,367
Bulgaria * .....	c 454	b 1,650	b 1,360
Denmark .....	30,864	50,173	.....
Finland * .....	20,975	b 18,245	b 18,350
France .....	c 489,377	305,324	.....
Germany * .....	c 1,631,959	960,839	a 1,102,000
Hungary* .....	c 180,103	b 45,899	b 33,724
Italy .....	60,813	58,559	.....
Luxemburg .....	6,439	b 2,644	.....
Malta .....	672	554	.....
Netherlands * .....	110,153	107,346	b 111,558
Norway .....	24,821	25,219	.....
Romania .....	c a 4,778	b 49,607	.....
Russia, including Northern Caucasus	c 878,461	.....	.....
Latvia .....	.....	b 24,759	b 24,598
Lithuania .....	.....	b 50,945	.....
Poland * .....	c 373,917	617,272	b 1,034,557
Serbia, Croatia-Slavonia, and Bosnia- Herzegovina .....	c 27,814	.....	.....
Yugoslavia .....	.....	b 28,387	.....
Spain .....	93,413	b 102,225	.....
Sweden .....	50,327	68,525	.....
Switzerland * .....	40,537	b 25,373	b 24,820
United Kingdom:			
England and Wales * .....	99,890	110,432	144,110
Scotland .....	34,674	38,827	.....
Ireland .....	119,374	95,427	.....
Total United Kingdom .....	254,438	244,686	.....
Total Europe .....	4,907,821	5,047,229	5,574,464
Total Countries marked * .....	2,615,009	1,953,640	2,540,895
<u>ASIA.</u>			
Japan .....	24,738	.....	.....
Mosen .....	f 9,052	b 18,371	.....
Russia .....	32,151	.....	.....
Total Asia .....	56,941	18,371	.....



ESTIMATED WORLD POTATO PRODUCTION 1922 AS COMPARED WITH 1921 AND AVERAGE  
1909-1913,--CONT'D.

Country.	Average, 1909-1913.	1921.	1922 (latest estimate).
<u>NORTHERN HEMISPHERE</u> ,--CONT'D.	1,000 bushels.	1,000 bushels.	1,000 bushels.
<u>AFRICA.</u>			
Algeria *	1,783	b 653	b 1,925
Tunis *	g 136	b 147	b 165
Total Africa and *	1,929	800	2,090
Total Northern Hemisphere	5,408,402	3,522,254	3,112,215
Total Northern Hemisphere Marked *	3,051,438	2,413,609	3,087,617
Country.	Average, 1908-09 - 1912-13.	1920-21.	1921-22 (latest estimate).
<u>SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE.</u>	1,000 Bushels.	1,000 Bushels	1,000 Bushels.
Argentina	40,216		
Chile *	8,023	12,168	13,877
Uruguay	g 205	b 150	
Australia	14,077		
New Zealand *	6,047	4,728	4,185
Southern Rhodesia *	g 101	b 119	b 50
Union of South Africa	3,259	3,734	
Total Southern Hemisphere.	71,938	20,568	18,112
Total Southern Hemisphere marked *	14,171	16,584	18,112
World total	5,430,340	3,542,332	3,130,327
Total all Countries Marked*	3,065,609	2,430,293	3,105,729

(Source: Official sources unless otherwise stated).

a. 1919-21, International Institute of Agriculture.

b. International Institute of Agriculture.

c. Old boundaries.

d. Consular Report.

e. Includes (1,144,000 bushels) grown with corn.

f. 1912-16, official.

g. 1916-20, International Institute of Agriculture.

\* Indicates countries for which figures are available for 1909-13, 1921 and 1922.

## NUMBER OF LIVE STOCK IN LATVIA IN 1921 AND 1922.

Live Stock.	1921.	June, 1922.
Horses .....	283,000	303,000
Cattle .....	800,000	811,000
Sheep .....	1,132,000	1,162,000
Pigs .....	482,000	402,000

(Source: International Institute of Agriculture, Production  
Bulletin, September 1922, p. 30.)

## CONSUMPTION OF FRESH AND FROZEN MEATS IN BELGIUM, 1919-1921.

Meats.	1919.	1920.	1921.
	Pounds.	Pounds.	Pounds.
Fresh Meats .....	235,252,250	<sup>a</sup> 354,479,900	471,237,465
Frozen meats .....	5,285,594	77,730,843	51,728,734
Total .....	<sup>b</sup> 238,537,578	<sup>a</sup> <sup>b</sup> 432,209,433	522,966,200

(Source: Administration de L'Agriculture et de l'Horticulture, Consommation  
de Viande de Boucherie annee 1921, Brussels 1922, pages 1720-21.)

<sup>a</sup>. Corrected figures.

<sup>b</sup>. The totals are correct as given but the items do not add to these totals.

## INTERNATIONAL TRADE OF PORK (INCLUDING PORK PRODUCTS) CALENDAR YEARS 1919-1921.

Countries.	1919.		1920.		1921.	
	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.	Imports.	Exports.
	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds
Argentina.....	56:	15,797:	.....	.....	.....	.....
Australia .....	57:	11,343:	57,000	6,395:	.....	.....
Austria .....	.....	.....	79,753	2,235:	76,511	617
Belgium .....	19,770:	45,208:	28,998	14,454:	46,453	18,613
Brazil .....	101:	46,345:	204	28,021:	.....	.....
Br. So. Africa ...	134:	1,566:	794	1,041:	515	659
Canada .....	59,260:	263,277:	45,908	111,832:	63,699	110,759
China .....	.....	45,509:	.....	27,935:	.....	.....
Cuba .....	89,607:	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Denmark .....	18,122:	2,077:	4,099	98,048:	10,555	203,255
France .....	457,709:	42,241:	167,243	25,396:	.....	.....
Germany .....	.....	.....	549,956	161:	.....	.....
Italy .....	143,921:	376:	45,180	445:	.....	.....
Netherlands .....	78,723:	37,663:	59,864	35,030:	42,923	105,188
New Zealand .....	308:	322:	217	148:	.....	.....
Norway .....	33,536:	8:	10,942	5:	13,669	.....
Spain .....	737:	1,447:	4,025	677:	3,161	1,089
Sweden .....	84,674:	6,700:	29,556	10,346:	16,652	31,263
Switzerland .....	27,959:	19:	19,755	30:	.....	.....
United Kingdom ...	1,258,087:	1,111:	844,515	1,530:	1,027,314	2,226
United States ....	5,426:	2,638,721:	2,296	1,536,894:	816	1,651,181
Other Countries <sup>1</sup>	24,262:	4,856:	26,449	7,302:	.....	.....
Total .....	2,302,429:	3,164,586:	1,923,576	1,905,590:	.....	.....

(Source: Official Publications of the above countries).

<sup>1</sup>. Comprising data from 21 countries.

## WAGES OF AGRICULTURAL LABOPERS IN FRANCE.

The annual agricultural labor hiring markets were held at Bourges, France and in the Nièvre Department at the end of July. On this day agricultural laborers engage themselves for the coming farm-year to farmers desiring to employ farm help.

The wages currently offered during the course of these markets were as follows, quoted in French francs and in United States currency according to the rate of exchange prevailing on July 31, 1922.

Class of Laborer.	Length of labor period.	Salary for the period.	
		Francs.	Dollars.
Carter, 1st class .....	4 months	1,600 - 1,800	129.76 - 145.98
Carter, 2nd class .....	4 "	1,300 - 1,500	105.43 - 121.65
Carter, ordinary .....	2 "	700 - 1,000	56.77 - 81.10
Men cf-all-work .....	4 "	1,200 - 1,500	97.32 - 121.65
Cowherds, good, over 20 years old .....	1 year	2,400 - 3,200	194.64 - 259.52
Cowherds, ordinary .....	1 "	800 - 1,600	64.88 - 129.76
Shepherds .....	1, "	700 - 1,600	56.77 - 129.76
Servants, female 20-25 years old .....	1 "	1,200 - 2,800	97.32 - 227.03
Servants, female, ordinary .....	1 "	800 - 1,200	64.88 - 97.32
Young boys, 12 to 13 years old .....	1 "	500 - 600	40.55 - 48.66
Young boys, 14 to 17, years old .....	1 "	800 - 1,200	64.88 - 97.32
Agricultural laborers 18 to 20 years old ...	1 "	1,300 - 2,400	145.98 - 194.64

(Source: Consular Report, Paris, August 25, 1922).

